Margaret (Margo) Walker has walked a rough road to get to this stage of her life. She was raised in Sumter, SC. The daughter of a mother who had 13 children and the daughter of an abusive, alcoholic father, her childhood wasn't easy. Wanting a better future Margo went to college for 2 ½ years and was pursuing a degree in elementary education. She was married for 32 years and had two daughters. After her husband's death, she moved to Groton, Connecticut where her pregnant daughter and son-in-law were stationed. Besides helping with her grandson, Margo actively looked for employment. In 2007, she became a Teacher's Assistant at Pleasant Valley Elementary School located in Groton. She works with 16 students weekly and although she likes her job, she feels the schools need more employees to adequately meet the needs of all students.

Her daughter's family was deployed overseas and at that time Margo started renting a room from an acquaintance. This woman would go out to clubs frequently, leaving her child in Margo's care. Her roommate would come home drunk and with a different man every night. Drug use was evident and one man entered her room one night. Fearing for her safety, Margo contacted KBH and although she couldn't come in immediately, she was contacted when the next bed became available. She is the senior resident in the house and helps to ease new residents into the home's routines.

Margo is waiting for a housing opportunity and it should happen shortly. She looks forward to having her own place. She maintains close ties with her children and 4 grandchildren. Margo relaxes by crocheting while watching television. She is grateful that there was a place like Katie Blair House for her to come to under circumstances that were very frightening. She says not all days are perfect when you have 8 distinct personalities living under one roof. It has been a learning experience and she is thankful for the peace of mind and safety that Katie Blair has provided for her.

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